

C. C. KNELL.

Two ladies went out to buy up some goods;

To make a success they hunt up every nick of the woods;

To start let us see what KNELL has got,

For at home here we will commence on the spot.

They look through the stock and think its immense,

The assortment is large and the style, elegance;

Every style and department is as full as it can be,

And how it pays here we really can't see.

Now, really Mrs. Brown, I know we cannot do better,

You see yourself the goods are as represented to the letter;

But, really Mrs. Jones, I can't decide just yet,

And before I shall purchase I want to see another set.

You've heard of the village on the other side of the creek,

And there we will go at the end of the week,

I don't object to have people look round,

To see where the best goods for the least money are found.

I know that I cannot be understood,

However, if I say so, they think I am bold;

I want to treat every one fair and square,

In this way I think I will get my due share.

My business is built up on practical experience,

And speed from the start with true perseverance,

Its hard to start without any money,

And those who have tried it know it is not all honey.

The next week my customers came back as expected,

Their tour of exploration they had just perfected;

No where in these parts could they do so well,

So they decided to come back to C. C. KNELL.

They admitted that my styles in every way did excel,

And there was more to select from they could truly tell;

My stock entire was ahead of any they had seen,

For through every store over there they had been.

To sell them now was as easy as rolling a off log,

For the skies had got clear and they were out of the fog;

They concluded hereafter it was useless to look around,

For right here in Rock Island to buy they were bound.

Why carry the money away from the town,

While all that is spent here helps us all around;

We shall support home industry every time if we ken,

For I make most my goods and employ a number of men;

They all have to live and spend their money right here,

And that is the way to keep the machine in good gear.

Now in conclusion my friends, I just wish to say,

If you want Furniture and Carpets just come this way;

And if perchance, I cannot suit you,

There is no harm in seeing what I can do.

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River Riplets.

The St. Paul is expected up Sunday. The floating palace, Pittsburgh, will clear for St. Louis tomorrow morning.

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Lost children.

Two boys, aged 7 and 12, sons of C. H. Klumeyer, of 821 Ohio street, Quincy, Ill., are missing, and \$150 reward is offered for their return. The younger had on dark gray pants, calico shirt, cap, blue stockings, button shoes, no coat, has brown hair and lacks three upper teeth. His patch on his right shoe. The other wore checked pants, white and blue striped shirt, vest, dark straw hat with broken brim, and button shoes, but no coat. His hair is brown and he lacks one upper tooth. Their names are Karl and Edward. Exchanges will do the distressed parents an act of kindness in carrying this notice.

Mr. Sweet and the Hospital.

Rev. R. P. Sweet has returned from Chicago, where he was instrumental in instigating an investigation as to the workings of the nursing department and the care of the patients at St. Luke's hospital. Mr. Sweet informed an Argus reporter yesterday that he was not prompted by any spirit of malice in putting the course he did, but that he felt it a duty which he owed to humanity; that he believed there had been negligence and carelessness in the care of his mother, and had since learned that such was the case with other patients. Mr. Sweet says that since such results have been attained as a result of the investigation many people have come to him, and in fact did before the result was reached and bid him. God speed in his work. The investigation was made before the board of trustees, and not the medical board, and the result is certainly one which should have been brought about long ago.

The Rock Opening.

The Rock Island rink opens for the winter season tonight, when Miss Fannie Fitz, the greatest fancy and trick skater in America will appear. Rivaling her skating in the attractiveness of her exhibitions, are Miss Pan El's unique and becoming costumes, and they possess an additional charm when it is known that she is the designer of every one of them. That which attracts the eye by its striking originality, is known as the "Spanish Costume." This costume won the first prize, a solitary diamond ring, at the carnival in Chicago. In striking contrast to the brilliant coloring of the "Spanish Costume" is an exquisite dress of snow white "uncolored plaid," which is adorned by many of the most beautiful in her wardrobe. Of similar design is a costume of "new gold" plaid, which with its accompanying hat and gloves of the same rare color, bring to the mind the rich plumage of the caracara bird. Another dress which has attracted a great deal of attention is composed of white satin, trimmed with white and black beaded lace. But the dress that the eyes rest most lovingly upon is a marvellous combination of "Abnath green" and "rose pink" silk, covered with white beaded pompom lace.

With all of her costumes she wears a hat and lace gauntlet gloves of similar color. The hat is made after a design of her own and is known as the "Polo."

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THE BOOK RECEPTION LAST EVENING—THE COMING LECTURE COURSE—IOWA STATE CONVENTION.

The book reception given by the Ladies' Central committee of the Young Men's Christian association last evening proved a decided success, both as regards pleasure and the object for which the entertainment was given. About 125 books were received, all of which were choice, and many standard works, such as "Mansley's History of England," containing the works of Shakespeare, Burns and other famous writers; Hitchcock's analysis of the Bible; a commentary of the old and new testaments, books of reference and many useful volumes of various descriptions. The valuable collection is now for the use of the young men of the city.

The program, excellently prepared and as well rendered, was composed of a tenor solo, "In the Highland," by Al. Corns; a recitation, "Superstitions Man," by Will McIntire; duet, "Music and Her Sister Song," by Misses Gregg and Kahke; recitation, "The Missionaries," Miss Kittie Battles; solo, "The King and the Millers." The participants were all heartily applauded.

IOWA STATE ASSOCIATION.

Fully two hundred delegates are expected to attend the annual state convention of the Young Men's Christian association of Iowa to be held in Davenport, commencing next Thursday and continuing four days. It has been the custom in the past, and very properly, too, for the local association where the convention is to be held to arrange for the entertainment of delegates. Invitations have been sent out to a large number of families in the city requesting that they receive and entertain one or more during the four days the convention will be in progress. As yet few have responded or signified their willingness to contribute to the success of the event in this manner. It is hoped those who have an interest in the aims and objects of the organization and the social and moral advancement of young men will consent to assist in the furtherance of these objects by entertaining delegates. Friday evening the services will be held at the opera house, at which 25 calcium light views of association buildings throughout the country will be given and vocal music will be furnished by the Davenport Glee club.

SERIES OF LECTURES.

The Young Men's Christian Association has prepared a free lecture course for the winter, which is as follows:

Oct. 22, Subject: The Rock Strata of the Earth, by Mr. J. H. Southwell, county superintendent of schools.

Nov. 5, Books, by Rev. R. P. Weidner, professor theology, Augustana college.

Nov. 12, North America, Illinois and the seaboard, while favoring liberal appropriations of public money for the deepening of the Mississippi and diverting western commerce from Boston and New York to New Orleans.

Nov. 19, Commercial Law, by Mr. W. H. Hatch, principal of high school.

Nov. 26, Archaeology, by Rev. S. S. Cryer, pastor of Central Presbyterian church.

The first of the series will be given next week at the rooms, 1719 Second avenue.

News Finders on the Track.

The R. I. & P. switch engine is in the shops and is being prepared for winter work. Engine No. 14 is doing the switching at present.

Yesterday was pay day on the R. I. & P., and the Coal Valley Mining Co.'s employees will receive their monthly wages tomorrow.

Engineer Chase. Menzie of the night express on the C. M. & St. P. road, has been given the 255, considered to be one of the best locomotives on this division.

On his first trip out he had a little sport with a C. B. & Q. engine, and the boys say Charlie went right by it notwithstanding the "Q" engine had a 17 inch cylinder and the St. Paul only a 15 inch. No matter how fast the time card on the night train is after this, Menzie will always be on the dot.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul company has established a new Pullman sleeping car line between Dubuque and Minneapolis. The sleepers of this line are attached at Dubuque to the through night train for St. Paul and Minneapolis, which leaves Dubuque at 7:15 a. m., and reaches La Crosse at 1:15 a. m., Winona at 1:42 a. m., Wabasha at 3:08 a. m., Red Wing at 4:35 a. m., Hastings at 5:30 a. m., Stillwater at 6:10 a. m., St. Paul at 6:30 a. m., and Minneapolis at 7:15 a. m. Berths may be secured in these sleepers and tickets issued for them at any time by notifying Agent E. D. W. Holmes, of this city. The distance from Dubuque to St. Paul by this route is only 215 miles.

Court Calamities.

The trial of Frank Wray for raping Ida Belle Garvin, a girl 11 years of age, in the lower end of the county last June, is occupying the attention of the circuit court, Maj. J. M. Boardley appears for the defendant, and Capt. J. J. Parks assists in the prosecution. The witnesses in all criminal cases except the one on trial and the Cattell case were excused this afternoon as were the jurors until the third Monday in January.

CIVIL CASES.

15—Assumpsit: J. L. Huey & Co. v. Moline Baggy Co., ex. in answer of garnishment overruled.

IN CHANCERY.

15—Foreclosure: James Taylor v. Samuel P. Hall, et al., set for first day of next term. Rock Island, Watch Co. v. James First, et al., leave to amend bill.

Partition: Clark N. Searl, et al., v. Alvey P. Searl, et al., motion by complainant to set aside decree of sale dismissed, appearance of defendants withdrawn.

The Old Trolley Pool.

The old Moline, Rock Island and Davenport pool has been in a comatose state for a year and an effort is now being made to revive it. Representatives of the Rock Island, St. Paul, Burlington and Rock Island & Peoria were in consultation yesterday arranging provisions and conditions to govern the traffic. Some progress was made, but a day or two will elapse before an agreement is arrived at and submitted. —Chicago Times.

Wood Engraving.

The attention of business men and inventors is called to the advertisement of Mr. O. E. Miles, a first class wood engraver, who has located in Davenport permanently. Mr. Miles is competent to undertake any engraving required.

The Complete Figures.

CINCINNATI, Oct. 16.—[Special.]—Complete figures give Fortaker a plurality of 17,688. Hamilton county elects nine republican representatives and four senators. John Sherman says the legislature will be republican without Hamilton county.

The owls in New Zealand kill sheep, slaying thousands every year.

A CANAL CHAMPION.

Edward Russell Comes to the Rescue of the Hennepin in a New England Controversy.

There has been considerable of a controversy in New England of late, among the papers of Boston particularly, concerning the Hennepin Canal, and the project has been ardently assailed in many instances, the Boston Journal being particularly prominent in its hostilities. It urges the New England congressmen to oppose it—calls it a "Chicago sewer," and denounces it as useless for any other purpose. Mr. Edward Russell, of Davenport, late editor of the Gazette and a prominent champion of the canal is in New England—and he gave the Journal some light on the subject in this letter, which the editor published at the head of a first page column as follows:

To the Editors of the Boston Journal:—I will, I am sure, afford you pleasure to publish a correction of an error manifest in an editorial of the Journal of a recent date, to which my attention has been directed. You characterize that contemplated work of interior improvement, the Hennepin canal, as one needed in Chicago "to complete its sewerage system." This is seriously at variance with the facts. The Illinois and Michigan canal, 100 miles in length and having a fall of 112 feet from Chicago to the slack water navigation of the Illinois river, near Hennepin, must make an ascent of 200 feet before it overcomes the summit level, without crossing which it could not reach its terminus on the Mississippi. It is difficult to understand, therefore, how the Hennepin canal can have any sort of relation to Chicago sewerage.

Permit, also, correction of yet another mistake in that editorial. The Hennepin canal is not desired as a "local convenience." Six times, from 1834 to 1884 inclusive, has the general assembly of Iowa specifically indicated its purpose for the canal, and the fact of its construction is a matter of public history. The Hennepin canal is not desired as a "local convenience." Six times, from 1834 to 1884 inclusive, has the general assembly of Iowa specifically indicated its purpose for the canal, and the fact of its construction is a matter of public history.

As to her soil, every one knows what Iowa soil is. From two to six feet of rich, black, sandy loam overlies a subsoil of gravel, beneath which is found a strata of gravel in which is found the pure, cold, and healthy water of the Iowa river.

The heavy growth of native blue joint grass that covers our prairies is a sufficient index of the richness of the soil.

Lying in the heart of the United States, within the arms of the Mississippi on the east and the Missouri on the west, Iowa is destined to become the richest and most important state in the union.

Railroads traverse every county in the state, and although a comparatively new state, only two states in the union can boast of more miles of railroad. If you want a farm in the best state in the union now is your time to get it. Only a small strip is yet open to the homeseekers, and it is rapidly closing up. This strip is composed principally of lands in the counties of Palo Alto, Emmett and Roswell, and the extension agency of the same in Rock Island and adjoining counties have been placed with Messrs. Medill & Whitehead, the enterprising real estate firm of this city, who are now engaged in running weekly excursions to Emmettburg, Palo Alto county, Iowa, leaving Rock Island via C. R. I. & P. railroad at ten minutes before 5 o'clock every Tuesday morning.

Among the number, and of the most prominent citizens of the county who have purchased lands in Northwestern Iowa through Medill & Whitehead, are Captain J. M. Montgomery, of this city, R. P. Ramsey and Philip Zahn of Milan, Daniel Brown and Jacob Harris of Edgemoor, John Bonald and Mr. Gallagher of Rural, and Wm. Sacrile, of Coal Valley, all of whom are highly pleased with the country and its surroundings, and to whom we have referred anyone doubting the truth of above statements. These lands are being offered at the extreme low price of \$8 and \$8.50 per acre. One-fourth cash and balance in six years at six per cent interest. Railroad fare returned to buyers.

It may be safely said, that the tide of actual settlers that is pouring into this section of the country and securing themselves homes, is causing the value of land to such a degree that three years hence, this land cannot be bought at twice the present price.

Now is the time of year to buy, when the crops are yielding forth their abundant harvests and you are able to see for yourselves that the land is not barren, but rich and fertile and produces plentifully.

Remember the date of expiration (next Tuesday morning) 1 o'clock at the end and inspect it carefully, for in seeing is believing, and in believing you will buy, thus rendering yourself both rich and happy and drawing upon you the blessings of your posterity.

What Does This Mean?

According to the new ordinance allowing the Rock Island & Milan street car company to enter the city with its motor, the company is to run cars as early as 6:10 in the morning, and when needed, as late as 10 at night. On the strength of this, however, the superintendent issues a new time card stating that the first car will come in from Milan at 7 a. m., and the last one going out leave Rock Island at 5 p. m. What does this mean? That the company intends breaking the conditions of the ordinance as early as day? If the aim is to accommodate public comfort, the cars will run as they have all summer. There is as much travel in the winter as summer and more need for the street car accommodations. Further than this the motor should be allowed to come into the city as far as First avenue as the cars do now.

Balloting, but no Chance.

SPRINGFIELD, Oct. 16.—The commission has been in session since 10 o'clock. A large number of ballots have been taken but no selection made.

H. C. CLEVELAND.

Indian Summer.

By Thomas Jeffrey W. Kelman.
Of the springtime flowers there is often sang in poetic verse by old and young.

Of bright green fields and cool and shady bowers,
Of rambles under the old green wood,
Where the autumn grows in sky and shade,
Of sunny loveliness for meek and thrush dell,
Where the pond lily grows and the wild blue bell.

While over the meadow, the butterfly flashing
In the warm sunlight, and the dandelion dashing,
Flaying and bending in the summer breeze,
Stealing softly along, just rustling the leaves.

And down in the garden, along the wall,
Where the hollyhock is in its glory,
While scattered around her, in colors confining,
Pansies and violets, with geraniums freezing.

There is a charm to all in the autumn year,
To the hollyhock, the pansy, the geranium,
To the leaves as they turn to yellow and red,
To the rustle of the leaves, the dandelion seed,
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Take a walk through the wood on valley and hill,
On a carpet of leaves, not a sound, all is still,
Save the hush of the squirrel, the chipmunk's chatter,
The hush of the wind, the rustle of the leaves.

The so much like ourselves in springtime we lay
Our plans, to complete in life's summer day:
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